

Irregular Plural Nouns

To form some **plural nouns**, add or change letters.

Examples:

foot, feet child, children

For some plural nouns, the plural is the same as the singular form.

Examples:

sheep, sheep scissors, scissors

If you don't know the correct plural of a noun, look up the word in a dictionary. Plural forms are shown immediately after the main entry words.



Write the singular or plural form of each noun as indicated.

1. one trout, two _____
2. one deer, two _____
3. one ox, two _____
4. two sheep, one _____
5. one shellfish, two _____
6. one waltz, two _____
7. one father-in-law, two _____
8. one species, two _____
9. one capful, two _____
10. one hero, two _____
11. two alumni, one _____
12. one calf, two _____
13. two passersby, one _____
14. one tooth, two _____
15. two aspirin, one _____
16. two mice, one _____
17. two women, one _____
18. one attorney-at-law, two _____
19. two dice, one _____
20. two men, one _____



The underlined nouns in these sentences should be plural. Write each sentence using the correct plural forms.

21. When the fox entered the barnyard, all the goose, chicken, and sheep panicked.

22. Before the child put an end to the turmoil, several crate of zucchini had been trampled.

23. My friend gave me three scarf for my birthday.

24. The editor-in-chief wrote the article about the computer glitch.

25. The man carrying the umbrella had box of blueberry.



Possessive Nouns

A **possessive noun** shows ownership.

Example:

the acting career of my friend my *friend's* acting career

Add an apostrophe ('), and s to form the possessive of singular nouns.

Examples:

person's, artist's, teacher's

Add an apostrophe to form the possessive of most plural nouns ending in s.

Examples:

persons', artists', teachers'

If a plural noun does not end in s, add an apostrophe and s to form the possessive.

Examples:

mice's, women's, trout's



REWRITE THE FOLLOWING AS POSSESSIVES, USING THE APOSTROPHE CORRECTLY.

1. the music of a teenager _____
2. the music of teenagers _____
3. the dog of my neighbor _____
4. the yard of my neighbors _____
5. the dashboard in the car _____
6. the erasers on the pencils _____
7. the pool belonging to Molly _____
8. the history of Texas _____
9. the bikes of the brothers _____
10. the fish belonging to Agnes _____
11. the street where my stepsister lives _____
12. the two cats of Amanda Jones _____
13. the eyes of the students _____
14. the contribution made by Bess _____
15. the testimony of a witness _____
16. the ideas of children _____
17. the classroom of the eighth-graders _____
18. the hats worn by construction workers _____
19. the cabin owned by the Bodettes _____
20. doghouse of Rex _____
21. the tusks of the elephants _____
22. the ending of the story _____

